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MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
Waiver for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder Transmittal No. 8**June 19, 2006**

To: Maryland State Department of Education
Waiver for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder Providers
Autism Waiver Contacts

From: Mark A. Leeds, Director 
Long Term Care & Community Support Services

Note: Please ensure that appropriate staff members in your organization are informed of the contents of this transmittal.

Re: Fiscal Year 2007 Program Rate Increases

On July 1, 2006, payment rates will increase for certain services under the Home and Community Based Services Waiver for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder. The regulatory requirement for these changes may be found in COMAR 10.09.56 under Regulation .22(C)(3) "Payment Procedures." Payment rates affected by this regulation will be increased by 2.5 percent effective, July 1 of each year. **Providers may bill using the new rates for services provided on or after July 1, 2006.**

Please note that some waiver services are reimbursed in units of one hour. If less than one hour of service is provided, the time may not be rounded up to one hour. Additionally, provider travel time is not reimbursable by Medicaid.

Only services approved on the waiver participant's Plan of Care or Addendum may be reimbursed. Payment for authorized waiver services covered under this program shall be considered as payment in full, and may not be supplemented by payment from other sources, such as the participant, family, a public program, or private agency.

Questions regarding this transmittal should be directed to Ivan Zapata, Coordinator for the Waiver for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder, at 410-767-5220.

Enclosure (1)



WAIVER FOR CHILDREN WITH AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER
 Payment Rates Effective July 1, 2006

Service	Procedure Code	New Payment Rate
Residential Habilitation-Regular	Z9300	\$ 110.88 per day
Residential Habilitation-Intensive	Z9301	\$ 221.76 per day
Intensive Individual Support Services	W9306	\$ 28.28 per hour
Therapeutic Integration Services	W9307	\$ 22.62 per hour
Respite Care	W9314	\$ 22.08 per hour
Family Training	W9315	\$ 92.78 per hour
Supported Employment	W9311	\$ 93.90 per half day
*Environmental Accessibility Adaptation	W9320	\$ 1,500 per 36 month period

Please note that other billing limitations apply, as specified in COMAR 10.09.56.

*This rate is not subject to annual inflationary adjustment. This is notice of the current approved rate.